

Historic Preservation Commission Minutes

Thursday, May 27th at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was held at Jimmy's Station and Museum on Bremer Ave.

Members Present: James Hundley, Erika Lindgren, Kathryn Payne, Karen Lehmann, Mary Meyer, Les Zelle, Tom Hicks

Members Absent: 0

Council Present: Kathy Olson

Also present: Beth Paulsen, Sarah Meyer-Reyerson

Visitor: 2

Call to order: 6:07 p.m.

Visitor comments: Kathy Sturdevant stated her and her husband's interest in Preservation Iowa acquiring salvaged items from any possible demolition homes in Waverly to use in the restoration of the historic Ira Sturdevant home. The goal of Preservation Iowa and the Sturdevant family is to make the home a living history site once restored.

Approval of minutes: Motion to approve made by Zelle, Seconded: Hicks Yes: all No: 0 Absent: 0

Regular Business:

1. Buyout homes:

Payne stated that she recently met with officials from INRCOG. She found out that salvage done through a non-profit is less complicated and, in allowing only non-profits to salvage, INRCOG may be able to allow salvage without going through the bidding process. She shared with INRCOG that the commission supports a non-profit salvage of the buyout homes. Then Commission will ask INRCOG for first preference to be given to moving the home, then preference given to non-profits to salvage.

As soon as the waiver to enter homes is drafted, commissioners want to enter and evaluate the salvage potential of available buyout homes.

Preservation Iowa has indicated that they are willing to do salvage work and try to provide the items for Waverly area restoration projects.

Hundley made a motion that Payne be asked to represent the commission in further discussions with INRCOG regarding the handling of buyout properties.

Second: Lindgren

Yes: all No: 0 Absent: 0

2. Surveys/RFPs

Meyer-Reyerson reported that Jack at the city is reviewing the RFP. Payne and Meyer-Reyerson will meet separately to finish the RFP in the near future.

Council Report:

Olson shared the success and inspiration that came from the recent Smart Growth Workshop. Attendees gained beneficial direction for community growth and improvement.

Staff Report:

Meyer-Reyerson shared that Gary Duneman expressed interest in seeing more markers added to the community like the recent addition of the Bridge Marker in order to encourage walking tours of the community.

Hundley suggested some needed updates to the HPC webpage.

Payne made the motion that the meeting adjourn at 7:07 p.m. and it was seconded by Lindgren.

Yes: all

No: 0

Absent: 0

The next meeting will be Thursday Jun 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00p.m.in the conference room of the Waverly Public Library.